

# COHOMOLOGY OF DRINFEL'D ALGEBRAS: A GENERAL NONSENSE APPROACH

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## 1. PRELIMINARIES

Recall that a *Drinfel'd algebra* (or a *quasi-bialgebra* in the original terminology of [1]) is an object  $A = (V, \cdot, \Delta, \Phi)$ , where  $(V, \cdot, \Delta)$  is an associative, not necessarily coassociative, unital and counital  $\mathbf{k}$ -bialgebra,  $\Phi$  is an invertible element of  $V^{\otimes 3}$ , and the usual coassociativity property is replaced by the condition which we shall refer to as quasi-coassociativity:

$$(1) \quad (\mathbb{1} \otimes \Delta)\Delta \cdot \Phi = \Phi \cdot (\Delta \otimes \mathbb{1})\Delta,$$

where we use the dot  $\cdot$  to indicate both the (associative) multiplication on  $V$  and the induced multiplication on  $V^{\otimes 3}$ . Moreover, the validity of the following “pentagon identity” is required:

$$(\mathbb{1}^2 \otimes \Delta)(\Phi) \cdot (\Delta \otimes \mathbb{1}^2)(\Phi) = (1 \otimes \Phi) \cdot (\mathbb{1} \otimes \Delta \otimes \mathbb{1})(\Phi) \cdot (\Phi \otimes 1),$$

$1 \in V$  being the unit element and  $\mathbb{1}$ , the identity map on  $V$ . If  $\epsilon : V \rightarrow \mathbf{k}$  ( $\mathbf{k}$  being the ground field) is the counit of the coalgebra  $(V, \Delta)$  then, by definition,  $(\epsilon \otimes \mathbb{1})\Delta = (\mathbb{1} \otimes \epsilon)\Delta = \mathbb{1}$ . We have a natural splitting  $V = \overline{V} \oplus \mathbf{k}$ ,  $\overline{V} := \text{Ker}(\epsilon)$ , given by the embedding  $\mathbf{k} \rightarrow V$ ,  $\mathbf{k} \ni c \mapsto c \cdot 1 \in V$ .

For a  $(V, \cdot)$ -bimodule  $N$ , recall the following generalization of the *M-construction* of [5, par. 3] introduced in [4]. Let  $F^* = \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} F^n$  be the free unitary nonassociative  $\mathbf{k}$ -algebra generated by  $N$ , graded by the length of words. The space  $F^n$  is the direct sum of copies of  $N^{\otimes n}$  over the set  $\text{Br}_n$  of full bracketings of  $n$  symbols,  $F^n = \bigoplus_{u \in \text{Br}_n} N_u^{\otimes n}$ . For example,  $F^0 = \mathbf{k}$ ,  $F^1 = N$ ,  $F^2 = N^{\otimes 2}$ ,  $F^3 = N_{(\bullet\bullet)\bullet}^{\otimes 3} \oplus N_{\bullet(\bullet\bullet)}^{\otimes 3}$ , etc. The algebra  $F^*$  admits a natural left action,  $(a, f) \mapsto a \bullet f$ , of the algebra  $(V, \cdot)$  given by the rules:

- (i) on  $F^0 = \mathbf{k}$ , the action is given by the augmentation  $\epsilon$ ,
- (ii) on  $F^1 = N$ , the action is given by the left action of  $V$  on  $N$  and
- (iii)  $a \bullet (f \star g) = \sum (\Delta'(a) \bullet f) \star (\Delta''(a) \bullet g)$ ,

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where  $\star$  stands for the multiplication in  $F^*$  and we use the Sweedler notation  $\Delta(a) = \sum \Delta'(a) \otimes \Delta''(a)$ . The right action  $(f, b) \mapsto f \bullet b$  is defined by similar rules. These actions define on  $F^*$  the structure of a  $(V, \cdot)$ -bimodule.

Let  $\sim$  be the relation on  $F^*$   $\star$ -multiplicatively generated by the expressions of the form

$$\sum \left( (\Phi_1 \bullet x) \star ((\Phi_2 \bullet y) \star (\Phi_3 \bullet z)) \right) \sim \sum \left( ((x \bullet \Phi_1) \star (y \bullet \Phi_2)) \star (z \bullet \Phi_3) \right),$$

where  $\Phi = \sum \Phi_1 \otimes \Phi_2 \otimes \Phi_3$  and  $x, y, z \in F^*$ . Put  $\odot(N) := F / \sim$ . Just as in [5, Proposition 3.2] one proves that the  $\bullet$ -action induces on  $\odot(N)$  the structure of a  $(V, \cdot)$ -bimodule (denoted again by  $\bullet$ ) and that  $\star$  induces on  $\odot(N)$  a nonassociative multiplication denoted by  $\odot$ . The operations are related by

$$a \bullet (f \odot g) = \sum (\Delta'(a) \bullet f) \odot (\Delta''(a) \bullet g) \text{ and } (f \odot g) \bullet b = \sum (f \bullet \Delta'(b)) \odot (g \bullet \Delta''(b)),$$

for  $a, b \in V$  and  $f, g \in \odot(N)$ . The multiplication  $\odot$  is quasi-associative in the sense

$$(2) \quad \sum (\Phi_1 \bullet x) \odot ((\Phi_2 \bullet y) \odot (\Phi_3 \bullet z)) = \sum ((x \bullet \Phi_1) \odot (y \bullet \Phi_2)) \odot (z \bullet \Phi_3)$$

The construction described above is functorial in the sense that any  $(V, \cdot)$ -bimodule map  $f : N' \rightarrow N''$  induces a natural  $(V, \cdot)$ -linear algebra homomorphism  $\odot(f) : \odot(N') \rightarrow \odot(N'')$ . As it was shown in [5], for any  $(V, \cdot)$ -bimodule  $N$  there exists a natural homomorphism of  $\mathbf{k}$ -modules  $J = J(N) : \odot(N) \rightarrow \otimes(N)$ . If  $f : N' \rightarrow N''$  is as above then  $J(N'') \circ \odot(f) = \otimes(f) \circ J(N')$ .

Since the defining relations (2) are homogeneous with respect to length, the grading of  $F^*$  induces on  $\odot(N)$  the grading  $\odot^*(N) = \bigoplus_{i \geq 0} \odot^i(N)$ . If  $N$  itself is a graded vector space, we have also the obvious second grading,  $\odot(N) = \bigoplus_j \odot(N)^j$ , which coincides with the first grading if  $N$  is concentrated in degree 1.

Let  $\text{Der}_V^n(\odot(N))$  denote the set of  $(V, \cdot)$ -linear derivations of degree  $n$  (relative to the second grading) of the (nonassociative) graded algebra  $\odot(N)^*$ . One sees immediately that there is an one-to-one correspondence between the elements  $\theta \in \text{Der}_V^n(\odot(N))$  and  $(V, \cdot)$ -linear homogeneous degree  $n$  maps  $f : N^* \rightarrow \odot(N)^*$ .

If  $N = X \oplus Y$ , then  $\odot(X \oplus Y)$  is naturally bigraded,  $\odot^{*,*}(X \oplus Y) = \bigoplus_{i,j \geq 0} \odot^{i,j}(X \oplus Y)$ , the bigrading being defined by saying that a monomial  $w$  belongs to  $\odot^{i,j}(X \oplus Y)$  if there are exactly  $i$  (resp.  $j$ ) occurrences of the elements of  $X$  (resp.  $Y$ ) in  $w$ . If  $X, Y$  are graded vector spaces then there is a second bigrading  $\odot(X \oplus Y)^{*,*} = \bigoplus_{i,j} \odot(X \oplus Y)^{i,j}$  just as above.

Let  $(\mathcal{B}_*(V), d_{\mathcal{B}})$  be the (two-sided) normalized bar resolution of the algebra  $(V, \cdot)$  (see [2, Chapter X]), but considered with the opposite grading. This means that  $\mathcal{B}_*(V)$  is the graded  $(V, \cdot)$ -bimodule,  $\mathcal{B}_*(V) = \bigoplus_{n \leq 1} \mathcal{B}_n(V)$ , where  $\mathcal{B}_1(V) := V$  with the  $(V, \cdot)$ -bimodule structure induced by the multiplication  $\cdot$ ,  $\mathcal{B}_0(V) := V \otimes V$  (the free  $(V, \cdot)$ -bimodule on  $\mathbf{k}$ ), and for  $n \leq -1$ ,  $\mathcal{B}_n(V)$  is the free  $(V, \cdot)$ -bimodule on  $\overline{V}^{\otimes(-n)}$ , i.e. the vector space  $V \otimes \overline{V}^{\otimes(-n)} \otimes V$  with

the action of  $(V, \cdot)$  given by

$$u \cdot (a_0 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_{-n+1}) := (u \cdot a_0 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_{-n+1}) \quad \text{and} \quad (a_0 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_{-n+1}) \cdot w := (a_0 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_{-n+1} \cdot w)$$

for  $u, v, a_0, a_{-n+1} \in V$  and  $a_1, \dots, a_{-n} \in \bar{V}$ . If we use the more compact notation (though a nonstandard one), writing  $(a_0 | \cdots | a_{-n+1})$  instead of  $a_0 \otimes \cdots \otimes a_{-n+1}$ , the differential  $d_{\mathcal{B}} : \mathcal{B}_n(V) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_{n+1}(V)$  is, for  $n \leq 0$ , defined as

$$d_{\mathcal{B}}(a_0 | \cdots | a_{-n+1}) := \sum_{0 \leq i \leq -n} (-1)^i (a_0 | \cdots | a_i \cdot a_{i+1} | \cdots | a_{-n+1}).$$

Here, as is usual in this context, we make no distinction between the elements of  $V/\mathbf{k} \cdot 1$  and their representatives in  $\bar{V}$ . We use the same convention throughout all the paper. Notice that the differential  $d_{\mathcal{B}}$  is a  $(V, \cdot)$ -bimodule map.

Put  $\odot(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V)) := \odot(\uparrow V \oplus \uparrow \mathcal{B}_*(V))$ , where  $\uparrow$  denotes, as usual, the suspension of a graded vector space and  $V$  is interpreted as a graded vector space concentrated in degree zero. Let  $\text{Der}_V^i(\odot(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V)))$  denote, for each  $i$ , the space of degree  $i$  derivations of the algebra  $\odot(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V))$  which are also  $(V, \cdot)$ -linear maps. Let us define the derivation  $D_{-1} \in \text{Der}_V^1(\odot(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V)))$  by  $D_{-1}|_{\uparrow \mathcal{B}_*(V)} := \uparrow d_{\mathcal{B}} \downarrow$  and  $D_{-1}|_{\uparrow V} := 0$ . Clearly  $D_{-1}(\odot(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V))^{i,j}) \subset \odot(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V))^{i,j+1}$  and  $D_{-1}(\odot^{i,j}(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V))) \subset \odot^{i,j}(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V))$  for any  $i, j \geq 0$ . We also see immediately that  $D_{-1}^2 = 0$ .

Let us consider, for any  $n \geq 1$ , the complex  $(\odot^{n-1,1}(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V)), D_{-1})$ , i.e. the complex

$$0 \longleftarrow \odot^{n-1,1}(V, V) \xleftarrow{D_{-1}} \odot^{n-1,1}(V, \mathcal{B}_0(V)) \xleftarrow{D_{-1}} \odot^{n-1,1}(V, \mathcal{B}_{-1}(V)) \longleftarrow \cdots$$

LEMMA 1.1. *The complex  $(\odot^{n-1,1}(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V)), D_{-1})$  is acyclic, for any  $n \geq 1$ .*

PROOF. We have the decomposition

$$\odot^{n-1,1}(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V)) = \bigoplus_{1 \leq i \leq n} \odot_i^{n-1,1}(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V)),$$

where  $\odot_i^{n-1,1}(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V))$  denotes the subspace of  $\odot^{n-1,1}(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V))$  spanned by monomials having an element of  $\mathcal{B}_*(V)$  at the  $i$ -th place. The differential  $D_{-1}$  obviously respects this decomposition and the canonical isomorphism  $J$  of [5] mentioned above identifies  $\odot_i^{n-1,1}(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V))$  to  $V^{\otimes(i-1)} \otimes \mathcal{B}_*(V) \otimes V^{\otimes(n-i)}$ . Under this identification the differential  $D_{-1}$  coincides with  $\mathbb{1}^{\otimes(i-1)} \otimes d_{\mathcal{B}} \otimes \mathbb{1}^{\otimes(n-i)}$  and the rest follows from the Künneth formula and the acyclicity of  $(\mathcal{B}_*(V), d_{\mathcal{B}})$ . Q.E.D.

## 2. PROPERTIES OF $\text{Der}_V^*(\odot(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V)))$

Let  $C = (C, \cdot, 1_C)$  be a unital associative algebra and let  $C \xleftarrow{\epsilon} (\mathcal{R}, d_{\mathcal{R}})$ ,  $(\mathcal{R}, d_{\mathcal{R}}) = R_0 \xleftarrow{d_{\mathcal{R}}} R_1 \xleftarrow{d_{\mathcal{R}}} \cdots$ , be a complex of free  $C$ -bimodules (we consider  $C$  as a  $C$ -bimodule with the bimodule

structure induced by the multiplication). Similarly, let  $D \xleftarrow{\eta} (\mathcal{S}, d_{\mathcal{S}})$  with  $(\mathcal{S}, d_{\mathcal{S}}) = S_0 \xleftarrow{d_{\mathcal{S}}} S_1 \xleftarrow{d_{\mathcal{S}}} \cdots$ , be an acyclic complex of  $C$ -bimodules. To simplify the notation, we write sometimes  $R_{-1}$  (resp.  $S_{-1}$ , resp.  $d_{\mathcal{R}}$ , resp.  $d_{\mathcal{S}}$ ) instead of  $C$  (resp.  $D$ , resp.  $\epsilon$ , resp.  $\eta$ ). Let

$$Z := \{f = (f_i)_{i \geq -1}; f_i : R_i \rightarrow S_i \text{ a } C\text{-bimodule map and } f_i \circ d_{\mathcal{R}} = d_{\mathcal{S}} \circ f_{i+1} \text{ for any } i \geq -1\}.$$

Let us define, for a sequence  $\chi = (\chi_i)_{i \geq -1}$  of  $C$ -bimodule maps  $\chi_i : R_i \rightarrow S_{i+1}$ ,  $\nabla(\chi) = (\nabla(\chi)_i)_{i \geq -1} \in Z$  by  $\nabla(\chi)_i := d_{\mathcal{S}} \circ \chi_i + \chi_{i-1} \circ d_{\mathcal{R}}$ . Let  $B := \text{Im}(\nabla) \subset Z$ . For a  $C$ -bimodule  $M$  let  $M_I$  denote the set of invariant elements of  $M$ ,  $M_I := \{x \in M; cx = xc \text{ for any } c \in C\}$ .

**LEMMA 2.1.** *Under the notation above, the correspondence  $Z \ni f = (f_i)_{i \geq -1} \mapsto f_{-1}(1_C) \in D_I$  induces an isomorphism  $\Omega : Z/B \cong D_I/\eta(S_{0I})$ . Moreover, if  $f_{-1}(1_C) = \eta(h)$  for some  $h \in S_{0I}$  then  $f = \nabla(\chi)$  for some  $\chi = (\chi_i)_{i \geq -1}$  with  $\chi_{-1}(1) = h$ .*

**PROOF.** We show first that  $\Omega$  is well-defined. If  $f = \nabla(\chi)$  then  $f_{-1} = \eta \circ \chi_{-1}$ , therefore  $f_{-1}(1_C) = \eta(h)$  with  $h := \chi_{-1}(1_C) \in S_{0I}$  and  $\Omega(f) = 0$ .

Let us prove that  $\Omega$  is an epimorphism. For  $z \in D_I$  define a  $C$ -bimodule map  $f_{-1} : C \rightarrow D$  by  $f_{-1}(c) := cz (=zc)$  for  $c \in C$ . Because  $(\mathcal{R}, d_{\mathcal{R}})$  is free and  $(\mathcal{S}, d_{\mathcal{S}})$  is acyclic,  $f_{-1}$  lifts to some  $f = (f_i)_{i \geq -1} \in Z$  by standard homological arguments [2, Theorem III.6.1].

It remains to prove that  $\Omega$  is a monomorphism. For  $f = (f_i)_{i \geq -1} \in Z$ ,  $\Omega(f) = 0$  means that  $f_{-1}(1_C) = \eta(h)$  for some  $h \in S_{0I}$ . The  $C$ -bimodule map  $\chi_{-1} : C \rightarrow S_0$  defined by  $\chi_{-1}(c) := ch (=hc)$  for  $c \in C$  clearly satisfies  $f_{-1} = \eta \circ \chi_{-1}$ . A standard homological argument (see again [2, Theorem III.6.1]) then enables one to extend  $\chi_{-1}$  to a ‘contracting homotopy’  $\chi = (\chi_i)_{i \geq -1}$  with  $f = \nabla(\chi)$ . Q.E.D.

**DEFINITION 2.2.** *For  $n \geq 2$  and  $k \geq 0$  let  $J_k(n)$  be the subspace of  $\text{Der}_V^{n-1-k}(\odot(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V)))$  consisting of derivations  $\theta$  satisfying*

- (i)  $\theta(\odot(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V))^{i,j}) \subset \odot(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V))^{i+n-1, j-k}$ ,
- (ii)  $\theta(\odot^{i,j}(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V))) \subset \odot^{i+n-1, j}(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V))$ ,
- (iii)  $[D_{-1}, \theta] = 0$  if  $k = 0$  and  $\theta|_{\mathcal{B}_1(V)} = 0$  if  $k \geq 1$ .

Let us observe that, for  $\theta \in J_{\geq 1}(n)$ ,  $\theta|_{1V} = 0$ . This follows from item (i) of the definition above. Observe also that  $J_*(n)$  is invariant under the differential  $\nabla$  defined by  $\nabla(\theta) := [D_{-1}, \theta]$ ,  $\nabla(J_k(n)) \subset J_{k-1}(n)$  for  $k \geq 1$  and  $\nabla(J_0(n)) = 0$ .

**PROPOSITION 2.3.**  $H_{\geq 1}(J_*(n), \nabla) = 0$  while

$$(3) \quad H_0(J_*(n), \nabla) = \odot^{n-1,1}(V, \mathcal{B}_1(V))_I \oplus \odot^n(V)_I.$$

PROOF. Let  $k > 0$  and let  $\theta \in J_k(n)$ . As  $\theta|_{\uparrow V} = 0$ ,  $\theta$  is given by its restriction to  $\mathcal{B}_*(V)$ , namely by a sequence of  $(V, \cdot)$ -bimodule maps  $\theta_i : \mathcal{B}_i(V) \rightarrow \odot^{n-1,1}(V, \mathcal{B}_{i-k}(V))$ ,  $i \leq 1$ . Suppose that  $\theta$  is a  $\nabla$ -cocycle, i.e. that  $\nabla(\theta) = 0$ . This means that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & d_{\mathcal{B}} & & d_{\mathcal{B}} & & d_{\mathcal{B}} \\
 0 & \longleftarrow & \mathcal{B}_1(V) = V & \longleftarrow & \mathcal{B}_0(V) & \longleftarrow & \mathcal{B}_{-1}(V) \longleftarrow \dots \\
 & & \downarrow \theta_1 & & \downarrow \theta_0 & & \downarrow \theta_{-1} \\
 & & D_{-1} & & D_{-1} & & D_{-1} \\
 0 & \longleftarrow & \odot^{n-1,1}(V, \mathcal{B}_{1-k}(V)) & \longleftarrow & \odot^{n-1,1}(V, \mathcal{B}_{-k}(V)) & \longleftarrow & \odot^{n-1,1}(V, \mathcal{B}_{-1-k}(V)) \longleftarrow \dots
 \end{array}$$

is commutative. Since  $\theta_1 = 0$  by item (iii) of Definition 2.2, Lemma 2.1 (with  $C = (V, \cdot, 1_V)$  and  $D = \odot^{n-1,1}(V, \mathcal{B}_{1-k}(V))$ ) gives a sequence  $\chi_i : \mathcal{B}_i(V) \rightarrow \odot^{n-1,1}(V, \mathcal{B}_{i-k-1}(V))$  of  $(V, \cdot)$ -bimodule maps,  $i \leq 1$ , such that  $\theta_i = D_{-1} \circ \chi_i + \chi_{i+1} \circ d_{\mathcal{B}}$ . We can, moreover, suppose that  $\chi_1 = 0$ , thus the sequence  $(\chi_i)_{i \leq 1}$  determines a derivation  $\chi \in J_{k+1}(n)$  with  $\nabla(\chi) = \theta$ . This proves  $H_k(J_*(n), \nabla) = 0$  for  $k \geq 1$ .

A derivation  $\theta \in J_0(n)$  is given by two independent data: by the restriction  $\theta_V := \theta|_{\uparrow V} : V \rightarrow \odot^n(V)$  and by the restriction  $\theta_{\mathcal{B}_*(V)} := \theta|_{\uparrow \mathcal{B}_*(V)} : \mathcal{B}_*(V) \rightarrow \odot^{n-1,1}(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V))$ . As  $D_{-1}|_{\uparrow V} = 0$ , the condition  $\nabla(\theta) = [D_{-1}, \theta] = 0$  imposes no restrictions on  $\theta_V$  and, because  $\nabla(\chi)|_{\uparrow V} = 0$  for any  $\chi \in J_1(n)$ , the contribution of  $\theta_V$  to  $H_0(J_*(n), \nabla)$  is parametrized by  $\theta_V(1_V)$ , i.e. by an element of  $\odot^n(V)_I$ . This explains the second summand in (3).

The restriction  $\theta_{\mathcal{B}_*(V)}$  is in fact a sequence  $\theta_i : \mathcal{B}_i(V) \rightarrow \odot^{n-1,1}(V, \mathcal{B}_i(V))$ ,  $i \leq 1$ , of  $(V, \cdot)$ -bimodule maps and the condition  $\nabla(\theta) = 0$  means that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & d_{\mathcal{B}} & & d_{\mathcal{B}} & & d_{\mathcal{B}} \\
 0 & \longleftarrow & \mathcal{B}_1(V) = V & \longleftarrow & \mathcal{B}_0(V) & \longleftarrow & \mathcal{B}_{-1}(V) \longleftarrow \dots \\
 & & \downarrow \theta_1 & & \downarrow \theta_0 & & \downarrow \theta_{-1} \\
 & & D_{-1} & & D_{-1} & & D_{-1} \\
 0 & \longleftarrow & \odot^{n-1,1}(V, \mathcal{B}_1(V)) & \longleftarrow & \odot^{n-1,1}(V, \mathcal{B}_0(V)) & \longleftarrow & \odot^{n-1,1}(V, \mathcal{B}_{-1}(V)) \longleftarrow \dots
 \end{array}$$

is commutative. Similarly as above, a derivation  $\chi \in J_1(n)$  is given by a sequence  $\chi_i : \mathcal{B}_i(V) \rightarrow \odot^{n-1,1}(V, \mathcal{B}_{i-1}(V))$ ,  $i \leq 1$ , of  $(V, \cdot)$ -linear maps. The condition  $\nabla(\chi) = \theta$  then means that  $\theta_i = D_{-1} \circ \chi_i + \chi_{i+1} \circ d_{\mathcal{B}}$ , especially,  $\theta_1 = D_{-1} \circ \chi_1$ . This last equation implies, since  $\chi_1 = 0$  by (iii) of Definition 2.2, that  $\nabla(\chi) = \theta$  forces  $\theta_1(1_V) = 0$ . On the other hand, if  $\theta_1(1_V) = 0$  then Lemma 2.1 gives a  $\chi \in J_1(n)$  with  $\theta = \nabla(\chi)$  and we conclude that the contribution of  $\theta_{\mathcal{B}_*(V)}$  to  $H_0(J_*(n), \nabla)$  is parametrized by  $\theta_{\mathcal{B}_*(V)}(1_V) \in \odot^{n-1,1}(V, \mathcal{B}_1(V))_I$  which is the first summand of (3). Q.E.D.

Let us recall that a (right) *differential graded (dg) comp algebra* (or a *nonunital operad* in the terminology of [3]) is a bigraded differential space  $L = (L_*(*), \nabla)$ ,  $L_*(*) = \bigoplus_{k \geq 0, n \geq 2} L_k(n)$ ,  $\nabla(L_k(n)) \subset L_{k-1}(n)$ , together with a system of bilinear operations

$$\circ_i : L_p(a) \otimes L_q(b) \rightarrow L_{p+q}(a+b-1)$$

given for any  $1 \leq i \leq b$  such that, for  $\phi \in L_p(a)$ ,  $\psi \in L_q(b)$  and  $\nu \in L_r(c)$ ,

$$(4) \quad \phi \circ_i (\psi \circ_j \nu) = \begin{cases} (-1)^{p \cdot q} \cdot \psi \circ_{j+a-1} (\phi \circ_i \nu), & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq j-1, \\ (\phi \circ_{i-j+1} \psi) \circ_j \nu, & \text{for } j \leq i \leq b+j-1, \text{ and} \\ (-1)^{p \cdot q} \cdot \psi \circ_j (\phi \circ_{i-b+1} \nu), & \text{for } i \geq j+b. \end{cases}$$

We suppose, moreover, that for any  $\phi \in L_p(a)$ , and  $\psi \in L_q(b)$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq b$ ,

$$\nabla(\phi \circ_i \psi) = \nabla(\phi) \circ_i \psi + (-1)^p \cdot \phi \circ_i \nabla(\psi).$$

Any dg comp algebra determines a nonsymmetric (unital) operad in the monoidal category of differential graded spaces (see [6] for the terminology). To be more precise, let  $L = (L_*(*), \circ_i, \nabla)$  be a dg comp algebra as above and let us define the bigraded vector space  $\mathcal{L}_*(*) = \bigoplus_{k \geq 0, n \geq 1}$  by  $\mathcal{L}_*(n) := L_*(n)$  for  $n \geq 2$  and  $\mathcal{L}_*(1) = \mathcal{L}_0(1) := \text{Span}(1_{\mathcal{L}})$ , where  $1_{\mathcal{L}}$  is a degree zero generator. Let us extend the definition of structure maps  $\circ_i$  to  $\mathcal{L}$  by putting  $f \circ_1 1_{\mathcal{L}} := f$  and  $1_{\mathcal{L}} \circ_i g := g$ , for  $f \in \mathcal{L}_*(m)$ ,  $g \in \mathcal{L}_*(n)$  and  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Let us extend the differential  $\nabla$  by  $\nabla(1_{\mathcal{L}}) := 0$ . In [3] we proved the following proposition.

**PROPOSITION 2.4.** *The composition maps  $\gamma : \mathcal{L}_*(a) \otimes \mathcal{L}_*(n_1) \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathcal{L}_*(n_a) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_*(n_1 + \cdots + n_a)$  given by*

$$\gamma(\phi; \nu_1, \dots, \nu_a) := \nu_1 \circ_1 (\nu_2 \circ_2 (\cdots \circ_{a-1} (\nu_a \circ_a \nu)))$$

*for  $\phi \in \mathcal{L}_*(a)$  and  $\nu_i \in \mathcal{L}_*(n_i)$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq a$ , define on  $\mathcal{L}_*(*)$  a structure of a nonsymmetric differential graded operad in the monoidal category of differential graded vector spaces.*

Let  $N$  be a (graded)  $(V, \cdot)$ -bimodule, let  $d : N \rightarrow N$  be a  $(V, \cdot)$ -linear differential and define  $X_k(n) := \{\theta \in \text{Der}_V^k(\odot(N)); \theta(N) \subset \odot^n(N)\}$ . For  $\omega \in X_*(m)$ ,  $\theta \in X_*(n)$  and  $1 \leq i \leq n$  let  $\omega_N := \omega|_N : N \rightarrow \odot^m(N)$  and  $\theta_N := \theta|_N : N \rightarrow \odot^n(N)$  be the restrictions. Let then  $\omega \circ_i \theta \in X_*(m+n-1)$  be a derivation defined by  $(\omega \circ_i \theta)|_N := (\mathbb{1}^{\odot(i-1)} \odot \omega_N \odot \mathbb{1}^{\odot(n-i)}) \circ \theta_N$ . Let us extend the differential  $d$  to a derivation  $D$  of  $\odot(N)$  and define  $\nabla(\theta) := [D, \theta]$ .

**LEMMA 2.5.** *The object  $X_*(*) = (X_*(*), \circ_i, \nabla)$  constructed above is a differential graded comp algebra.*

**PROOF.** Let  $\phi \in X_p(a)$ ,  $\psi \in X_q(b)$  and  $\nu \in X_r(c)$ . The composition  $\phi \circ_i (\psi \circ_j \nu)$  is, by definition, given by its restriction  $[\phi \circ_i (\psi \circ_j \nu)]_N$  to  $N$  as

$$[\phi \circ_i (\psi \circ_j \nu)]_N = (\mathbb{1}^{\odot(i-1)} \odot \phi_N \odot \mathbb{1}^{\odot(b+c-i-1)}) \circ (\psi \circ_j \nu)_N,$$

with  $(\psi \circ_j \nu)_N = (\mathbb{1}^{\odot(j-1)} \odot \psi_N \odot \mathbb{1}^{\odot(c-j)}) \circ \nu_N$ . This implies that

$$[\phi \circ_i (\psi \circ_j \nu)]_N = (\mathbb{1}^{\odot(i-1)} \odot \phi_N \odot \mathbb{1}^{\odot(b+c-i-1)}) \circ (\mathbb{1}^{\odot(j-1)} \odot \psi_N \odot \mathbb{1}^{\odot(c-j)}) \circ \nu_N.$$

For  $i \leq j-1$  we have (taking into the account that  $\text{Im}(\phi_N) \subset \odot^a(N)$  and  $\text{Im}(\psi_N) \subset \odot^b(N)$ )

$$\begin{aligned} & (\mathbb{1}^{\odot(i-1)} \odot \phi_N \odot \mathbb{1}^{\odot(b+c-i-1)}) \circ (\mathbb{1}^{\odot(j-1)} \odot \psi_N \odot \mathbb{1}^{\odot(c-j)}) = \\ & = (-1)^{pq} \cdot (\mathbb{1}^{\odot(j+a-2)} \odot \psi_N \odot \mathbb{1}^{\odot(c-j)}) \circ (\mathbb{1}^{\odot(i-1)} \odot \phi_N \odot \mathbb{1}^{\odot(c-i)}), \end{aligned}$$

which means that  $[\phi \circ_i (\psi \circ_j \nu)]_N = (-1)^{pq} \cdot [\psi \circ_{j+a-1} (\phi \circ_i \nu)]_N$ . This is the axiom (4) for  $i \leq j-1$ .

Similarly, for  $j \leq i \leq b+j-1$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} & (\mathbb{1}^{\odot(i-1)} \odot \phi_N \odot \mathbb{1}^{\odot(b+c-i-1)}) \circ (\mathbb{1}^{\odot(j-1)} \odot \psi_N \odot \mathbb{1}^{\odot(c-j)}) = \\ & = \mathbb{1}^{\odot(j-1)} \odot [(\mathbb{1}^{\odot(i-j)} \odot \phi_N \odot \mathbb{1}^{\odot(b-i+j-1)}) \circ \psi_N] \odot \mathbb{1}^{\odot(c-j)} \end{aligned}$$

which means that  $[\phi \circ_i (\psi \circ_j \nu)]_N = [(\phi \circ_{i-j+1} \psi) \circ_j \nu]_N$ . This is the axiom (4) for  $j \leq i \leq b+j-1$ .

The discussion of the remaining case  $i \geq j+b$  is similar.

Q.E.D.

Let us consider the special case of the construction above with  $N := \uparrow V \oplus \uparrow \mathcal{B}_*(V)$  and  $d := 0 \oplus \uparrow d_{\mathcal{B}} \downarrow$ .

LEMMA 2.6. *The bigraded subspace  $J_*(*)$  of  $X_*(*)$  introduced in Definition 2.2 is closed under the operations  $\circ_i$  and the differential  $\nabla$ .*

The proof of the lemma is a straightforward verification. The lemma says that the dg comp algebra structure on  $X_*(*)$  restricts to a dg comp algebra structure  $(J_*(*), \circ_i, \nabla)$  on  $J_*(*)$ .

### 3. MORE ABOUT $\text{Der}_V^*(\odot(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V)))$

Let  $J_*(*) = (J_*(*), \circ_i, \nabla)$  and  $D_{-1} \in \text{Der}_V^1(\odot(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V)))$  be as in the previous section.

DEFINITION 3.1. *An infinitesimal deformation of  $D_{-1}$  is an element  $D_0 \in J_0(2)$  such that  $\nabla(D_0) = 0$ . An integration of an infinitesimal deformation  $D_0$  is a sequence  $\tilde{D} = \{D_i \in J_i(i+2); i \geq 1\}$  such that  $D := D_{-1} + D_0 + D_1 + \dots$  satisfies  $[D, D] = 0$ .*

Let  $K_n$  be, for  $n \geq 2$ , the Stasheff associahedron [7]. It is an  $(n-2)$ -dimensional cellular complex whose  $i$ -dimensional cells are indexed by the set  $\text{Br}_n(i)$  of all (meaningful) insertions of  $(n-i-2)$  pairs of brackets between  $n$  symbols, with suitably defined incidence maps. There is, for any  $a, b \geq 2$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq a-2$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq b-2$  and  $1 \leq t \leq b$ , a map

$$(-, -)_t : \text{Br}_a(i) \times \text{Br}_b(j) \rightarrow \text{Br}_{a+b-1}(i+j), \quad u \times v \mapsto (u, v)_t,$$

where  $(u, v)_t$  is given by the insertion of  $(u)$  at the  $t$ -th place in  $v$ . This map defines, for  $a, b \geq 2$  and  $1 \leq t \leq b$ , the inclusions  $\iota_t : K_a \times K_b \hookrightarrow \partial K_{a+b-1}$ . It is well-known that the sequence  $\{K_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  form a topological operad, see again [7].

Let  $CC_i(K_n)$  denote the set of  $i$ -dimensional oriented cellular chains with coefficients in  $\mathbf{k}$  and let  $d_C : CC_i(K_n) \rightarrow CC_{i-1}(K_n)$  be the cellular differential. For  $\mathbf{s} \in CC_p(K_a)$  and  $\mathbf{t} \in CC_q(K_b)$ ,  $p, q \geq 0$ ,  $a, b \geq 2$  and  $1 \leq i \leq b$ , let  $\mathbf{s} \times \mathbf{t} \in C_{p+q}(K_a \times K_b)$  denote the cellular cross product and put

$$\mathbf{s} \circ_i \mathbf{t} := (\iota_i)_*(\mathbf{s} \times \mathbf{t}) \in CC_{p+q}(K_{a+b-1}).$$

**PROPOSITION 3.2.** *The cellular chain complex  $(CC_*(K_*), d_C)$  together with operations  $\circ_i$  introduced above forms a differential graded comp algebra.*

The simplicial version of this proposition was proved in [4], the proof of the cellular version is similar. The dg comp algebra structure of Proposition 3.2 reflects the topological operad structure of  $\{K_n\}_{n \geq 2}$  mentioned above.

Let  $c_n$  be, for  $n \geq 0$ , the unique top dimensional cell of  $K_{n+2}$ , i.e. the unique element of  $\text{Br}_n(n+2)$  corresponding to the insertion of no pairs of brackets between  $(n+2)$  symbols. Let us define  $\mathbf{e}_n \in CC_n(K_{n+2})$  as  $\mathbf{e}_n := 1 \cdot c_n$ .

The following proposition was proved in [3], see also the comments below.

**PROPOSITION 3.3.** *The graded comp algebra  $CC_*(K_*) = (CC_*(K_*), \circ_i)$  is a free graded comp algebra on the set  $\{\mathbf{e}_0, \mathbf{e}_1, \dots\}$ .*

Let us recall that the freeness in the proposition above means that for any graded comp algebra  $L_*(*) = (L_*(*), \circ_i)$  and for any sequence  $\alpha_n \in L_n(n+2)$ ,  $n \geq 0$ , there exists a unique graded comp algebra map  $f : CC_*(K_*) \rightarrow L_*(*)$  such that  $f(\mathbf{e}_n) = \alpha_n$ ,  $i \geq 0$ .

The proof of Proposition 3.3 is based on the following observation. There is a description of the free graded comp algebra (= free nonsymmetric nonunital operad) on a given set in terms of oriented planar trees. The free comp algebra  $\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{e}_0, \mathbf{e}_1, \dots)$  on the set  $\{\mathbf{e}_0, \mathbf{e}_1, \dots\}$  has  $\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{e}_0, \mathbf{e}_1, \dots)(n) =$  the vector space spanned by oriented connected planar trees with  $n$  input edges. Each such a tree  $T$  then determines an element of  $\text{Br}_i(n)$  where  $i =$  the number of vertices of  $T$ , i.e. a cell of  $CC_{n-i-2}(K_n)$ . This correspondence defines a map  $\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{e}_0, \mathbf{e}_1, \dots)(n) \rightarrow CC_*(K_n)$  which induces the requisite isomorphism of operads.

Let  $L = (L_*(*), \circ_i, \nabla)$  be a dg comp algebra. Let us define, for  $\phi \in L_p(a)$  and  $\psi \in L_q(b)$ ,

$$\phi \diamond \psi := \sum_{1 \leq i \leq b} (-1)^{(a+1)(i+q+1)} \cdot \phi \circ_i \psi \quad \text{and} \quad [\phi, \psi] := \phi \diamond \psi - (-1)^{(a+p+1)(b+q+1)} \cdot \psi \diamond \phi.$$

In [4] we proved the following proposition.



PROPOSITION 3.4. *The operation  $[-, -]$  introduced above endows  $L^* := \bigoplus_{a-p-1=*} L_p(a)$  with a structure of a differential graded (dg) Lie algebra,  $L = (L^*, [-, -], \nabla)$ .*

The construction above thus defines a functor from the category of dg comp algebras to the category of dg Lie algebras. Let us observe that for the comp algebras  $X_*(*)$  and  $J_*(*)$  this structure coincides with the Lie algebra structure induced by the graded commutator of derivations. We can also easily prove that the elements  $\{\mathbf{e}_n\}_{n \geq 0}$  satisfy, for each  $m \geq 0$ ,

$$(5) \quad d_C(\mathbf{e}_m) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i+j=m-1} [\mathbf{e}_i, \mathbf{e}_j] = 0$$

in the dg Lie algebra  $CC(K)^* = (CC(K)^*, [-, -], d_C)$ .

PROPOSITION 3.5. *There exists an one-to-one correspondence between integrations of an infinitesimal deformation  $D_0$  in the sense of Definition 3.1 and dg comp algebra homomorphisms  $m : CC_*(K_*) \rightarrow J_*(*)$  with  $m(\mathbf{e}_0) = D_0$ .*

PROOF. Let us suppose we have a map  $m : CC_*(K_*) \rightarrow J_*(*)$  with  $m(\mathbf{e}_0) = D_0$  and define, for  $n \geq 1$ ,  $D_n := m(\mathbf{e}_n)$ . We must prove that the derivation  $D := D_{-1} + D_0 + D_1 + \dots$  satisfies  $[D, D] = 0$ . This condition means that

$$(6) \quad \nabla(D_m) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i+j=m-1} [D_i, D_j] = 0$$

for any  $m \geq 0$ , which is exactly what we get applying on (5) the Lie algebra homomorphism  $m$ .

On the other hand, suppose we have an integration  $\{D_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ . The freeness of the graded comp algebra  $CC_*(K_*)$  (Proposition 3.3) ensures the existence of a graded comp algebra map  $m : CC_*(K_*) \rightarrow J_*(*)$  with  $m(\mathbf{e}_n) = D_n$  for  $n \geq 0$ . We must verify that this unique map commutes with the differentials, i.e. that  $m(d_C(\mathbf{s})) = \nabla(m(\mathbf{s}))$  for any  $\mathbf{s} \in CC_*(K_*)$ . Because of the freeness, it is enough to verify the last condition for  $\mathbf{s} \in \{\mathbf{e}_n\}_{n \geq 0}$ , i.e. to verify that  $m(d_C(\mathbf{e}_n)) = \nabla(m(\mathbf{e}_n))$  for  $n \geq 0$ . Expanding  $d_C(\mathbf{e}_n)$  using (5) we see that this follows from (6) and from the fact that the map  $m$  is a homomorphism of graded Lie algebras. Q.E.D.

PROPOSITION 3.6. *An infinitesimal deformation  $D_0 \in J_0(2)$  can be integrated if and only if  $[D_0, D_0]|_{\uparrow V} = [D_0, D_0]|_{\uparrow \mathcal{B}_1(V)} = 0$ .*

PROOF. Standard obstruction theory. Let us suppose that we have an integration  $\tilde{D} = \{D_i\}_{i \geq 1}$ . Condition (6) with  $m = 1$  means that

$$(7) \quad \nabla(D_1) + \frac{1}{2} [D_0, D_0] = 0.$$

Because  $D_1 \in J_1(3)$ ,  $D_1|_{\uparrow V} = D_1|_{\uparrow \mathcal{B}_1(V)} = 0$  by (iii) of Definition 2.2, therefore  $\nabla(D_1)|_{\uparrow V} = \nabla(D_1)|_{\uparrow \mathcal{B}_1(V)} = 0$  and (7) implies that  $[D_0, D_0]|_{\uparrow V} = [D_0, D_0]|_{\uparrow \mathcal{B}_1(V)} = 0$ .

On the other hand, let us suppose that  $[D_0, D_0]|_{\uparrow V} = [D_0, D_0]|_{\uparrow \mathcal{B}_1(V)} = 0$ . By the description of  $H_0(J_*(3), \nabla)$  as it is given in Proposition 2.3 we see that the homology class of  $[D_0, D_0] \in J_0(3)$  is zero, therefore there exists some  $D_1 \in J_1(3)$  with  $\nabla(D_1) + \frac{1}{2}[D_0, D_0] = 0$ .

Let us suppose that we have already constructed a sequence  $D_i \in J_i(i+2)$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq N$ , such that basic equation (6) holds for any  $m \leq N$ . The element  $\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i+j=N} [D_i, D_j] \in J_N(N+3)$  is a  $\nabla$ -cycle (this follows from the definition of  $\nabla(-)$  as  $[D_{-1}, -]$  and the Jacobi identity) and the triviality of  $H_N(J_*(N+3))$  (again Proposition 2.3) gives some  $D_{N+1} \in J_{N+1}(N+3)$  which satisfies (6) for  $m = N+1$ . The induction may go on. Q.E.D.

Let  $G$  be the subgroup of  $\text{Aut}(\odot(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V))^*)$  consisting of automorphisms of the form  $g = \mathbb{1} + \phi_{\geq 2}$ , where  $\phi_{\geq 2}$  is a  $(V, \cdot)$ -linear map satisfying  $\phi_{\geq 2}(\odot^{i,j}(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V))) \subset \odot^{\geq i+2,j}(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V))$  for any  $i, j$ .

Let us observe that  $G$  naturally acts on the set of integrations of a fixed infinitesimal deformation  $D_0$ . To see this, let  $\tilde{D} = \{D_i\}_{i \geq 1}$  be such an integration and let us denote, as usual,  $D := D_{-1} + D_0 + D_1 + \dots$ . Then  $g^{-1}Dg$  is, for  $g \in G$ , clearly also a  $(V, \cdot)$ -linear derivation from  $\text{Der}_V^1(\odot(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V)))$  and  $(g^{-1}Dg)(\odot^{i,j}(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V))) \subset (\odot^{\geq i,j}(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V)))$ . We may thus decompose  $g^{-1}Dg$  as  $g^{-1}Dg = \sum_{k \geq -1} D'_k$  with  $D'_k(\odot^{i,j}(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V))) \subset \odot^{i+k+1,j}(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V))$ . We observe that  $D'_{-1} = D_{-1}$ ,  $D'_0 = D_0$  and that, from degree reasons,  $D'_k(\odot(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V))^{i,j}) \subset \odot(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V))^{i+k+1,j-k}$ . This means that  $D'_k \in J_k(k+2)$  for  $k \geq 1$ . The equation  $[g^{-1}Dg, g^{-1}Dg] = 0$  is immediate, therefore the correspondence  $(g, \{D_i\}_{i \geq 1}) \mapsto \{D'_i\}_{i \geq 1}$  defines the requisite action. The following proposition shows that this action is transitive.

**PROPOSITION 3.7.** *Let  $\tilde{D}' = \{D'_i\}_{i \geq 1}$  and  $\tilde{D}'' = \{D''_i\}_{i \geq 1}$  be two integrations of an infinitesimal deformation  $D_0$ . If we denote  $D' := D_{-1} + D_0 + \sum_{i \geq 1} D'_i$  and  $D'' := D_{-1} + D_0 + \sum_{i \geq 1} D''_i$ , then  $D' = g^{-1}D''g$  for some  $g \in G$ .*

**PROOF.** Again standard obstruction theory. As we already observed, for any  $g \in G$ ,  $g^{-1}D''g$  decomposes as  $g^{-1}D''g = D_{-1} + D_0 + \sum_{i \geq 1} \{g^{-1}D''g\}_i$  with some  $\{g^{-1}D''g\}_i \in J_i(i+2)$ . Let us suppose that we have already constructed some  $g_N \in G$ ,  $N \geq 1$ , such that  $\{g_N^{-1}D''g_N\}_i = D'_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq N$ . We have

$$\nabla(D'_{N+1}) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i+j=N} [D'_i, D'_j] = 0$$

and, similarly,

$$\nabla(\{g_N^{-1}D''g_N\}_{N+1}) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i+j=N} [\{g_N^{-1}D''g_N\}_i, \{g_N^{-1}D''g_N\}_j] = 0.$$

By the induction, the second terms of the above equations are the same, therefore  $\nabla(D'_{N+1}) = \nabla(\{g_N^{-1}D''g_N\}_{N+1})$  which means that  $D'_{N+1} - \{g_N^{-1}D''g_N\}_{N+1} \in J_{N+1}(N+3)$  is a cycle. The triviality of  $H_{N+1}(J_*(N+3))$  (Proposition 2.3) gives some  $\phi \in J_{N+2}(N+3)$  such that  $D'_{N+1} - \{g_N^{-1}D''g_N\}_{N+1} = \nabla(\phi)$ . The element  $\exp(\phi) \in G$  is of the form  $\mathbb{1} + \phi + \phi_{\geq N+3}$  with

$$\phi_{\geq N+3}(\odot^{i,j}(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V))) \subset \odot^{i+N+3,j}(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V)),$$

therefore  $g_{N+1} := \exp(\phi)g_N$  satisfies  $\{g_{N+1}^{-1}D''g_{N+1}\}_i = \{g_N^{-1}D''g_N\}_i = D'_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq N$  and  $\{g_{N+1}^{-1}D''g_{N+1}\}_{N+1} = \{g_N^{-1}D''g_N\}_{N+1} + \nabla(\phi) = D'_{N+1}$  and the induction goes on. The pronipotence of the group  $G$  assures that the sequence  $\{g_N\}_{N \geq 1}$  converges to some  $g \in G$  as required.

Q.E.D.

#### 4. APPLICATIONS TO DRINFEL'D ALGEBRAS

In [4] we introduced two  $(V, \cdot)$ -linear ‘coactions’  $\lambda : \mathcal{B}_*(V) \rightarrow V \odot \mathcal{B}_*(V)$  and  $\rho : \mathcal{B}_*(V) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_*(V) \odot V$  as

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(a_0 | \cdots | a_{-n+1}) &:= \sum \Delta'(a_0) \cdots \Delta'(a_{-n+1}) \odot (\Delta''(a_0) | \cdots | \Delta''(a_{-n+1})), \text{ and} \\ \rho(a_0 | \cdots | a_{-n+1}) &:= \sum (\Delta'(a_0) | \cdots | \Delta'(a_{-n+1})) \odot \Delta''(a_0) \cdots \Delta''(a_{-n+1}). \end{aligned}$$

Let us define a derivation  $D_0 \in J_0(2)$  by

$$D_0|_{\uparrow \mathcal{B}_*(V)} := (\uparrow \odot \uparrow)(\lambda + \rho)(\downarrow) \text{ and } D_0|_{\uparrow V} := (\uparrow \odot \uparrow)(\Delta)(\downarrow).$$

**PROPOSITION 4.1.** *The derivation  $D_0$  defined above is an integrable infinitesimal deformation of  $D_{-1}$ .*

**PROOF.** To prove that  $D_0$  is an infinitesimal deformation of  $D_{-1}$  means to show that  $\nabla(D_0) = [D_{-1}, D_0] = 0$ . This was done in [4].

The integrability of  $D_0$  means, by Proposition 3.6, that  $[D_0, D_0]|_{\uparrow V} = [D_0, D_0]|_{\uparrow \mathcal{B}_1(V)} = 0$ . For  $v \in V$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} [D_0, D_0](\uparrow v) &= (D_0 \circ D_0)(\uparrow v) = D_0(\uparrow \odot \uparrow)(\Delta)(\uparrow v) = \\ &= [((\uparrow \odot \uparrow)(\Delta) \odot \uparrow)(\Delta) - (\uparrow \odot (\uparrow \odot \uparrow)(\Delta))(\Delta)](\uparrow v) = \\ &= (\uparrow \odot \uparrow \odot \uparrow) \circ [(\Delta \odot \mathbb{1})(\Delta) - (\mathbb{1} \odot \Delta)(\Delta)(\uparrow v)] \end{aligned}$$

which is zero by the quasi-coassociativity (1) and by (2).

Similarly, for  $(v) \in \mathcal{B}_1(V)$  we have

$$D_0^2 = (\uparrow \odot \uparrow \odot \uparrow)[(\Delta \odot \mathbb{1})\lambda - (\mathbb{1} \odot \lambda)\lambda - (\mathbb{1} \odot \rho)\lambda + (\lambda \odot \mathbb{1})\rho + (\rho \odot \mathbb{1})\rho - (\mathbb{1} \odot \Delta)\rho](\downarrow(v))$$

and (1), (2) again imply that this is zero.

Q.E.D.

**DEFINITION 4.2.** *An integration of the infinitesimal deformation  $D_0$  above is called a homotopy comodule structure.*

Let  $\odot'(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V)) = \odot^{*,1}(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V))$  denote the submodule of  $\odot^{*,*}(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V))$  with precisely one factor of  $\uparrow \mathcal{B}_*(V)$ . Let  $C^n(A)$  be the set of all degree  $n$  homogeneous maps  $f : \odot'(V, \mathcal{B}_*(V)) \rightarrow \odot^*(\uparrow V)$  which are both  $\odot^*(\uparrow V)$  and  $(V, \cdot)$ -linear. Let us define also a degree one derivation  $d_C$  on  $\odot^*(\uparrow V)$  by  $d_C|_{\uparrow V} := (\uparrow \odot \uparrow)(\Delta)(\uparrow)$ .

Let  $\{D_i\}_{i \geq 1}$  be a homotopy comodule structure in the sense of Definition 4.2 and let  $D := D_{-1} + D_0 + D_1 + \dots$ . Define a degree one endomorphism  $d$  of  $C^*(A)$  by  $d(f) := f \circ D + (-1)^n d_C \circ f$ . It is easy to show that  $d$  is a differential and, following [4], we define the *cohomology of our Drinfel'd algebra*  $A$  by  $H^*(A) := H^*(C^*(A), d)$ .

**PROPOSITION 4.3.** *The definition of the cohomology of a Drinfel'd algebra does not depend on the particular choice of a homotopy comodule structure.*

**PROOF.** Let  $\{D'_i\}_{i \geq 1}$  and  $\{D''_i\}_{i \geq 1}$  be two homotopy comodule structures,  $D' := D_{-1} + D_0 + D'_1 + \dots$  and  $D'' := D_{-1} + D_0 + D''_1 + \dots$ . Let  $d'(f) := f \circ D' + (-1)^n d_C \circ f$  and  $d''(f) := f \circ D'' + (-1)^n d_C \circ f$ . Proposition 3.7 then gives some  $g \in G$  such that  $D' \circ g = g \circ D''$ . We see immediately that the map  $\Psi : (C^*(A), d') \rightarrow (C^*(A), d'')$  defined by  $\Psi(f) := f \circ g$  is an isomorphism of complexes. Q.E.D.

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